## **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## NOTICE TO PROCEED ISSUED ON WINDSOR SPRINGS PHASE V RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION

**WHEN:** Friday, June 22, 2012

WHERE: County Road 65/Windsor Spring Road/Temporary State Route 1017 widening

and bridge projects

**WHAT:** Georgia DOT State Transportation Board Member Don Grantham announces

Moreland Altobelli Associates Inc. was issued a Notice To Proceed (NTP) on June 22, for the Winsor Springs Road project phase V right of way acquisition.

Phase V includes two projects; a road widening of approximately 2.15 miles beginning south of the intersection of Windsor Spring Road and State Route 88 to south of the intersection of Windsor Spring Road and Willis Foreman Road and the reconstruction of the bridge over Norfolk Southern Railroad.

The existing two lane section of roadway will be widened to four lanes separated by a nineteen foot wide raised median. It includes sixteen foot shoulders with curb and gutter and an 8 foot wide multi-use trail on both sides of the roadway.

The existing two lane bridge over Norfolk Southern Railroad will be replaced with six lanes separated by an eight foot wide raised median; two southbound, two northbound, left and right turn lanes. Eight foot wide sidewalks will be constructed on both sides of the bridge.

The construction of both projects, currently funded with Federal and State funds, is estimated to let to construction in May 2014. The appraisal process is beginning with right-of-way acquisition expected to begin in 90 days.

On Tuesday, July 31, voters will decide if 12 designated districts across Georgia will be authorized to collect a one-cent sales tax for the next 10 years to be devoted exclusively to local and regional transportation projects. In districts where the referendum passes, the Department of Transportation will be responsible for project delivery. An independent study ranked Georgia DOT first in the country in on-budget project delivery and second in on-time delivery. Project delivery is what Georgia DOT does. Referendum projects

assigned to the Department will be completed on time and on budget. For further information on the important Transportation Referendum, please visit: <a href="www.dot.ga.gov/transportationreferendum">www.dot.ga.gov/transportationreferendum</a>

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